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## PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES REGION 54 (SOUTHERN LAKE MICHIGAN) PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEES TO HOLD 700 MHZ AND 800 MHZ MEETINGS

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The Region 54 (Southern Lake Michigan)<sup>1</sup> Public Safety Regional Planning Committees (RPCs) will hold two consecutive planning meetings on Wednesday, October 12, 2011. Beginning at 1:00 p.m., the 800 MHz Public Safety RPC will convene at the Grundy County Emergency Management Agency, 1320 Union Street, Morris, Illinois.

The agenda for the 800 MHz meeting includes:

- Old business
  - Applications
  - o Plan rewrite
  - o Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- New business
  - Northwest Central Dispatch

Immediately following the 800 MHz Public Safety RPC meeting, the 700 MHz Public Safety RPC will convene at the same location.

The agenda for the 700 MHz meeting includes:

- Old business
  - Update on Plan status
  - DuPage County ETSB Application

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Region 54 (Southern Lake Michigan) 700 MHz RPC encompasses counties in three states bordering Lake Michigan: Winnebago, McHenry, Cook, Kane, Kendall, Grundy, Boone, Lake, DuPage, DeKalb, Will, and Kankakee Counties, Illinois; Lake, LaPorte, Jasper, Starke, St. Joseph, Porter, Newton, Pulaski, Marshall, and Elkart Counties, Indiana; and Kenosha, Milwaukee, Washington, Dodge, Walworth, Jefferson, Racine, Rock, Walworth, Washington, and Waukesha Counties, Wisconsin. The Region 54 (Southern Lake Michigan) 800 MHz NPSPAC RPC includes the Michigan counties of Kent, Van Buren, Kalamazoo, Barry, Muskegon, Allegan, Berrien, Cass, and St. Joseph, in addition to all of the above-mentioned Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin counties.

- New Business
  - National Regional Planning Council Update
  - o Utilization of the Computer Assisted Pre-Coordination and Database System
  - o Update on the D-Block spectrum

Both Region 54 Public Safety RPC meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers in Region 54 may utilize these frequencies. It is essential that eligible public safety agencies in all areas of government, including state, municipality, county, and Native American Tribal be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate, and represent their agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in planning for the use of public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz and 800 MHz bands within Region 54 should plan to attend. For further information, please contact:

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